(*b*) whether they are aware of the difficulties and sufferings that this policy entails upon the people?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) In the matter of opening roads, the *cheri* people are asked only to do the earth work and in the case of wells, to contribute some share of the cost, the Government contributing 75 per cent. of the cost, subject to a maximum of Rs. 100 for each well. It is not therefore correct to say that the major portion of the work devolves on the depressed classes.

(*b*) The answer is in the negative.

MR. K. MADHAVAN (*Nominated*): டிப்ரஸ்டு கிளாஸ் அல்லாத மற்ற வகுப்பினருக்கும் ரோடு செய்யவேண்டிவந்தால் அவர்கள் தான் செய்ய வேண்டுமா?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): There are no roads made for the several communities as communities. The roads are made for the general public.

MR. K. MADHAVAH (*Nominated*): டிப்ரஸ்டு கிளாஸல்லாத மற்றவர்கள் கிணறுகள் செய்துதிர்க்க 75% தான் கொடுக்கப்படுகிறதா?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): No wells or roads are made for any particular community except perhaps for the depressed classes.

MR. K. MADHAVAN (*Nominated*): வெள்ளாளர், மடலிவெளி முதலிய இடங்களிலிருக்கிற பர்டிக்குலர் கம்யூனிட்டிக்காக செய்துகொடுத்ததற்கு இந்த 75% தான் கொடுக்கப்பட்டதா?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I claim notice as I have no information.

Women health officers for villages of the depressed classes.

429. **MR. K. MADHAVAN** (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to state whether women Health Officers are appointed to attend to the confinement cases in the villages of the depressed classes?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The answer is in the negative.

Statement, by caste, of appointments made by Heads of Departments.

430. **MR. D. C. JOSEPH** (*Agastisvaram*): Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement, by caste, of the appointments made by all the departmental heads during the last five years (1099 to 1103)?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The Government do not propose to collect the information as the time and labour involved in their collection would be out of all proportion to their possible utility.

Transfer of Deputy Surgeons.

431. **MR. ITTOOP ITTEECHAN** (*Kunnatnad*): Will the Government be pleased to state whether there are any provisions to the effect that Deputy Surgeons should be transferred only with the sanction of the Government?

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